

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes.

The Administrator has received a complete application for water pollution control discharge permit No. NEV2002514 and a renewal application for No. NEV96003 from the following applicants:

Applicant 1 Bently Family Limited Partnerships
 P. O. Box B
 1089 Stockyard Road
 Minden, NV 89423

Treated wastewater effluent supplied by the Minden Gardnerville Sanitation District (MGSD) Plant, will be used for reuse irrigation on crops on lands of the Bently Agrowdynamics property of the Bently Family Limited Partnership and or stored in a lined reservoir in the Pine Nut Mountains east of the reuse sites. Reuse is conducted on the Middle Ranch property located North of Minden, Nevada, and headquartered at 1089 Stockyard Road. Spray and subsurface irrigation will be conducted in accordance with the Effluent Management Plan approved by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and the terms and conditions of this permit. The permit covers a five year period.

Applicant 2 Bently Agrowdynamics
 P. O. Box 127
 1089 Stockyard Road
 Minden, NV 89423

Treated wastewater effluent supplied by the Douglas County Sewer Improvement District #1 Wastewater Reclamation Plant, is used for reuse irrigation of crops on lands of the Bently Agrowdynamics Middle Ranch (formerly Dangberg Holdings). The reuse permit was held as Dangberg Holdings of Nevada LLC, reflecting an original business partnership which no longer is in effect. Bently Agrowdynamics is the reuse Permittee who owns, manages and irrigates the Middle Ranch property which is located North of Minden, Nevada, and headquartered at 1089 Stockyard Road. Irrigation is conducted in accordance with the Effluent Management Plan approved by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and the terms and conditions of this permit. This permit covers a five year period.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue and renew permits to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of newspaper publication, by January 2, 2004 either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706

All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the applications. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The applications, proposed permits, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address, by FAX at 775.687.4684, or by calling Icyll C. Mulligan, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9432. Copies of the Fact Sheets and Public Notice may be viewed or printed from the NDEP website at: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.